Proprietary Memorandum that at a Provinciall Court held the eight Liber N N agt & twentith day of November in the first yeare of the James Ives Dominion of Charles Absolute Lord & Propry of the Provinces of Maryland & Avalon Came here into Court Kenelm Cheseldyn Attorny Generall of the said Lord Propry who for the said Lord Propry in this behalfe prosenteth & giveth the Court here to understand & be informed That

Whereas James Ives late of the County of Baltemore did the nine & twentith day of October in the foure & fortith yeare of the Dominion of Caecilius &c Annog Dom 1675 by his certaine writeing Obligatory Sealed with the seale of the said James here in Court produced whose date is the same day & yeare abovewritten acknowledge himselfe holden & firmly bound unto the right Honble the Lord Proprietary of the said Province the full & just quantity of One hundred thousand pounds of good sound merchantable tobacco in caske to be paid to the Said Lord Propry his heirs or assignes To the which payment well & truly to be made he did bind himselfe his heirs executrs & admrs firmly by those prsents Notwithstanding which the said James the said summe of One hundred thousand pounds of tobacco according to the tenor of his said writeing Obligatory hath not paid though often thereunto required but the same to pay hath hitherto denyed & Still doth deny to the damage of the said Lord Propry two hundred thousand pounds of tobacco whereupon the said Kenelm who in this behalfe for the said Lord Propry prosecuteth bringeth his information & prayeth that the said James Ives may come here into Court & answer in & upon the premisses.

And the said James Ives by John Jones his Attorny doth come & defend the force & injury when &c & prayeth hearing of the writing aforesaid & it is read unto him he prayeth also hearing of the Condition of the said writeing & it is read unto him in these words The Condition of this Obligation is such that if the abovebounden Samuel Boston doe and shall from time to time & at all times hereafter dureing the terme of his Sheriffalty in the said County of Baltemore well & truly execute the Office of High Sheriff within the same County aswell in serveing all writts warrants processe & other precepts to him lawfully directed & Shall bee brought & delivered to him as also performe all & eury Act & acts thing & things appertaineing or which Shall appertaine to the Said Office and also without voluntary concealment fraud or deceit doe yeild & make just accompt to his said Lopp his Lopps Leivt Generall his Officer or Officers in that behalfe authorized or appointed & of & for all & every such summe & summes of mony, rents revenues fines issues goods chattells tobacco profitts & perquisitts as shall come to his hands or as he ought justly to be charged withall for & in respect of the said Office & also for all such ffees as shall accrue due to the Secretary of this Province to be by him collected shall well & truly render just